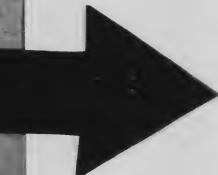


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The next session will be held with Harmony Baptist
Church, commencing on Friday before the second
Sunday in September, 1898.

PROGRAM OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Read Letters and enroll Messengers.
3. Elect Officers—Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
4. Invite Churches to unite with our Association.
5. Correspondence and Visitors.
6. Appoint Committees on Finance and Preaching.
7. Appoint Committee to Prorate among the Churches amount asked for by State Mission Board for all objects.
8. Appoint Committee to Nominate the Time and Place of Next Meeting, Principal and Alternate to Preach next Introductory and Missionary Sermons.
9. Report on Periodicals and Literature.
10. Report on Temperance.
11. Report on Sabbath Schools.
12. Report on B. Y. P. U.
13. Fix Hours to Meet and Adjourn.
14. Miscellaneous Business.
15. Adjourn.

SECOND DAY.

16. Devotional Exercises.
17. Read Minutes and Call Roll of Messengers.
18. Miscellaneous Business.
19. Report on State Missions.
20. Report on Home Missions.
21. Report on Foreign Missions.
22. Report on Ministerial Education.
23. Report on General Education (male and female.)
24. Miscellaneous Business.
25. Adjourn.

THIRD DAY.

26. Devotional Exercises.
27. Read Minutes of yesterday.
28. Miscellaneous Business.
29. Report of Committee to Prorate Contributions from Churches.
30. Report of Committee on Evangelization of Colored People.
31. Report of Committee on Woman's Work.
32. Report of Committee on Colportage and Bible Work.
33. Report of Committee on Orphans Home.
34. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention (10.)
35. Appoint Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention (1.)
36. Report of Committee on Finance.
37. Report of Treasurer of Association.
38. Call for Report of Committee on Time and Place and Preachers next year.
39. Order Clerk's Salary Paid and Minutes Printed.
40. Appoint Standing Committees by the Moderator.
41. Report on State of Religion in the churches.
42. Miscellaneous Business.
43. Read Minutes of this Day's Session.
44. Adjourn.

MINUTES.

ANNISTON, ALA., October 6th, 1897.

1. THE CALHOUN COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met this day in its Sixth Annual Session, in the Parker Memorial Baptist Church at 11 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by P. B. Brown, the former clerk. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Scott.

2. A motion was made and carried that the Introductory Sermon be postponed until 7:30 tonight.

3. Letters from the churches were called for, and Rev. J. H. Foster, Jr., and Dr. T. W. Ayers were appointed to read the letters.

4. The following messengers were present and their names enrolled:

Anniston First—W. M. Franks, Sam'l Chadwell, W. J. Edmondson, J. A. Fry.

Angels Grove—D. B. Johnson.

Antioch—J. C. Hollingsworth, J. Y. Chandler, J. L. Clay.

Boiling Springs—T. J. Jones, F. H. Parish.

Ca   Creek—J. I. Cheatwood, E. M. Reid, J. A. Ferguson, M. C. Simmons.

Coldwater—C. H. Leslie, M. C. Scott.

Duke—B. W. Duke, W. P. Duke.

Ethelville—T. L. Nisbet, J. E. Aiken, J. F. Little.

Eulaton—J. C. Hinds, D. M. Murphree.

Friendship—A. H. Mynatt.

Harmony—Rev. J. A. Scott, J. S. Morris, L. F. Greer, W. M. Rhodes, W. L. Rhodes, J. A. Weatherly.

Hebron—R. C. Usry.

Iron City—W. Thompson.

Jacksonville—V. L. Wier, T. R. Ward.

Mount Gilead—E. S. Lipscomb.

Mount Olive—W. M. Green, E. F. Johnson.
Mount Zion—W. S. Griffin, J. Lumpkin, C. C. Loyd.
Nances Creek—R. J. King, J. A. Borden.
New Bethel—Noah Stephens, R. P. Heaton.
New Hopewell—Wesley Propst, G. P. Peace.
New Liberty—W. A. Browning, R. E. Stephens.
Oak Bowery—B. B. Nunnelly, J. H. Goode, J. R. Sisson.
Oak Grove—G. W. Owens.
Ohatchie—Jas. D. Abbott, A. D. Glass, G. S. Boozer.
Oxanna—J. T. Thomas, B. F. Hanna, H. H. Fitzgerald, G.
 G. Brittan.
Oxford—J. E. Barnard, J. C. Wright, B. D. Williams, Abner Williams, J. S. Kelly, D. C. Cooper.
Parker Memorial—J. H. Foster, Jr., J. T. White, T. W. Ayers, J. H. Waters, W. A. Davis, C. C. Huckabee, A. W. Bell, R. M. Ingram, P. B. Brown.
Piedmont—J. J. Davis.
Piedmont Springs—J. D. Grogan.
Pleasant Ridge—J. C. Owens.
Plumb Springs—J. W. Haynes.
Post Oak Springs—M. E. Wilkins.
Rabit Town—C. B. Hammett.
Sulphur Springs—Letter.
Ten Island—J. P. Cochran, E. H. Cochran.
Trinity—W. G. Slaughter, J. A. Taylor.
Weavers—H. L. Johnston, Richard Weaver, M. W. Woodruff.
White's Gap—T. W. Ray, T. M. Champion.
Zion Hill—A. N. Ward, W. J. Whitesides.

5. Officers elected by ballot:

ABNER WILLIAMS, Moderator.
 PERRIN BESTER BROWN, Clerk.
 JAMES SHADRICK MORRIS, Treasurer.

6. Reading Rules of Decorum dispensed with.

7. Dr. T. W. Ayers made the address of welcome in behalf of the Parker Memorial Baptist Church, and was responded to by the Moderator.

8. Order of business of last session was adopted.

9. Visitors and Correspondents introduced to the Association.

Rev. W. M. Hall, Coosa River Association; Rev. A. F. Allen, Boiling Springs Association; Rev. T. H. Howle, Boiling Springs Association; Rev. G. A. Chunn, Warrior River Association; E. A. Adderhold, Coosa River Association; Rev. J. A. Howard, representing Alabama Baptist; Rev. Jno. W. Stewart, representing

the Orphan's Home; Rev. E. A. Burnes, State Board of Missions; Rev. G. S. Anderson, State Board of Missions; Rev. A. A. Battle, colored brother, Moderator of Rushing Springs Association.

10. Committees appointed by the Moderator:

Finance—Wm. A. Davis, W. M. Franks, J. A. Ferguson.

Preaching—Pastor and Deacons of Parker Memorial church.

Prorate among the Churches amount asked for by the State Board of Missions—A. W. Bell, J. S. Kelly, W. J. Whiteside.

To nominate Time and Place of next meeting of the Association—L. F. Greer, D. C. Cooper, R. P. Heaton.

11. Association adjourned after prayer by B. B. Nunnelly, until 2:30.

EVENING SESSION.

12. The Association reassembled at 2:30 p. m. The Moderator read the Ninety-third Psalm, and after prayer by Rev. T. H. Howle, the Moderator called the Association to order.

On motion, the following hours of daily meeting were adopted: Meet at 8:30 a. m., adjourn at 1 p. m.; meet at 2:30 p. m., and adjourn at will.

13. A motion was made and carried that the Finance Committee only make an aggregate and not an itemized report.

14. A motion to have preaching each day at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. was carried.

15. Report on Home Missions was read by J. C. Wright; and on motion, was laid on the table until the reports on State and Foreign Missions be read.

HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions are now more important than at any former period. Notwithstanding all that has been done, and all the success of Home Missions in the past, there are more unconverted people among us now than were fifty years ago. There are more than two millions of foreigners in the South; and each year adds other thousands. These come with ideas social, political and religious, totally diverse and radically different from ours, and for the most part antipodal.

For a half century we have impressed our civilization upon the older ones. But now the orient awakes from the dreams of centuries, and ancient civilizations, headed and lead on by China, Japan and India, precipitate the war, oriental and occidental.

The end of this and the beginning of the next century will witness the impact and conflict of Eastern and Western civilizations. The comatose nations have been aroused; they see our material advantages, and know that these give power and material prosperity—two things which unspiritual humanity, the world over, most craves and covets. These they will seize with avidity, while our civilization, religion, codes and creeds they will reject—or be slow to receive, if ever they accept them. The eternal law, first that which is natural, afterward that which is spiritual, obtains here, as in the individual and nation—building.

Now, the question is: Whether Eastern or Western civilization is to dominate throughout the earth and control its future? And the great mission of civilized Christianity is to receive, mold, and raise to its own ideals, these ancient civilizations by which it is surrounded and vastly outnumbered. This mission it must fulfill, or perish. The whole world is pulled into one small settlement by iron bars and magnetic wires. Soon the whole earth will be poured down in one heap, and will the Christian, the fittest part, survive, and control all the rest.

Christian Europe will meet these forces, and its armageddon will be in equatorial Africa and on the Congo. The nexus of two worlds is the Panama isthmus and the Caribbean sea: here east and west unite, and it will be our armageddon.

Shall the impingement find us equipped to defend our civilization for the good of the world? Hence, we see the pressure upon Home Missions, our institutions, government, all that we hold near and dear.

Home missions have always been the chief source of all other missionary and educational enterprises. If we care not for the root of the tree, the branches will soon decay. Begin at Jerusalem. Build the home, care for the home, or soon you will have no home to care for, no home to live in.

The past was the hardest year ever experienced by the Home Mission Board. Yet, with fewer missionaries, and less money, a greater work was done last year than in any preceding, except one.

A partial summary of work is here given: Missionaries employed, 372; baptisms, 4,709; letters, 4,746; additions, 9,455; churches constituted 139, built 57, improved 129; Sabbath schools organized, 393.

But with all the work done, still the Home Mission fields widen and whiten. Each year the demand is greater. Five times the amount given would not adequately meet the demand.

For above reasons, and many more that might be stated, Southern Baptists should contribute to the Home Board this year more than the hundred thousand dollars asked for by the noble,

enterprising and efficient Secretary of the Board, Rev. I. T. Tichenor, D. D., Atlanta, Ga.

J. C. WRIGHT,
J. A. SCOTT,
G. G. BRITTON.

16. After prayer by Rev. A. E. Burnes, the Association adjourned until 8:30 tomorrow.

17. 7:30 p. m. Rev. W. S. Griffin preached in the Parker Memorial Church from the text, First Cor. 6:19-20: "Ye are not your own: For ye are bought with a price."

Rev. G. A. Chunn preached in the First Baptist Church from the text, First Cor. 3:22, 23.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, Oct. 7th, 1897.

18. Devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator—reading 103 Psalm. Prayer by Rev. A. F. Allen. Association called to order by the Moderator. Minutes read, corrected and approved.

19. Report on Periodicals and Literature was read by T. W. Ayers:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS AND LITERATURE.

Your committee has regretted to hear so many of the churches report that none of the denominational papers are taken by its members. This should not be so; for every Baptist family should subscribe for and read one or more of our denominational papers; and especially do we think Alabama Baptists should help support our home papers.

Your committee recommends that all the Sunday schools in this Association use the literature published by the Sunday school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

T. W. AYERS, Chairman.

Report was discussed by T. W. Ayers, J. A. Howard C. B. Hammett, W. S. Griffin, A. E. Burnes, and was adopted.

20. Report on Temperance was read by T. M. Draper:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Brethren:—Your committee on Temperance beg to submit the following, to-wit:

We, as Baptists, have declared to the world, by baptism, that we have been killed to sin and the works of the flesh, which are manifest, (see Gal. 5th, 19, 20 and 21 verses) and have arisen to walk in newness of life, manifesting the Fruits of the Spirit. (See Gal. 5th, 22 and 23 verses). Now let each one of us, who have made a public profession of these truths, and declared it to the world by baptism, search his own heart and decide what he is doing and where he is standing. Temperance in all things adorns the Christian at all times and under all circumstances. It is the Christian's ensign, the autograph left by his footsteps in following the example of our Saviour, of whose following it has been beautifully written: "To put on the humility and exact patience and the true Christian fortitude in the cold midnight storm of persecution and adversity."

God has given us, (each one) a problem to solve by addition, to-wit: "Add to knowledge, temperance." The same God has declared, "Woe unto the man that putteth the bottle to his neighbor's lips." Brethren, when we, each one of us, draw the line between the world and the followers of the meek and lowly Nazarene, as He Himself drew it, then the world will become alarmed as it did on the day of Pentecost and then the cry will come: "Men and brethren what must we do to be saved?" and the Spirit will answer, "Repent, every one of you, of this thy wickedness."

So let us walk in the Spirit, as we have declared to do, and not after the flesh, to fulfill the lust thereof, and we will come out more than conquerors, through him that loved us, with reference to this temperance question.

Respectfully submitted,
T. M. DRAPER, Chairman.

Report discussed by A. H. Mynatt, W. S. Griffin,
Thos. R. Nisbet, T. R. Draper.

Report adopted.

21. Report on Sunday Schools was read by W. D. Snow:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The report comes from every section of Alabama that during the past twelve months the Lord has moved the people in the Sunday school work as never before and that the Conventions held this year have been superior to any of their predecessors. This we believe is true in the bounds of this association, for the Calhoun County Baptist Sunday School Convention, held at

Weavers in May was decidedly the best convention we have ever held in the county, both in attendance and interest. There were fifty-three delegates present and twenty-two of the thirty Baptist schools in the county represented.

The reports showed that there were nine Baptist churches in the county which had no Sunday school, and it was resolved to try and organize a school at each of these nine churches before the meeting of the present session of the Association, and we regret to hear some of the churches yet report in their letters that they have no Sunday school.

The following were elected as officers of the Convention for the present year:

President, D. C. Cooper; Vice-president, D. F. Weaver; Secretary, T. W. Ayers; Treasurer, J. W. Abercrombie.

Members of Executive Committee—L. F. Greer, R. P. Defreese, P. B. Brown, J. S. Kelly, L. T. Grogan.

Beat Vice-presidents for their respective beats—1, James Crook; 2, P. D. Ross; 3, A. P. Johnson; 4, C. H. Leslie; 5, R. P. Heaton; 6, Oliver Usry; 7, A. D. Glass; 8, John West; 9, M. T. Ledbetter; 10, Charles Barden; 11, A. N. Ward; 12, J. S. Morris; 13, B. D. Williams; 14, J. T. Vincent; 15, E. E. Weathers; 16, H. G. Ernest; 17, W. D. Rhodes; 18, James Nunnelly; 19, W. B. Duke.

The next Convention will be held at Harmony, the date to be fixed by the Executive Committee.

It was noticed during the session of the Convention at Weavers that very few of the ministers in this county were present and the failure of these brethren to be present was discussed. They were both missed and needed, and it is hoped that they will all be present next year at Harmony.

Nearly every school reported that one great trouble was to secure the attendance of the adult membership of the church, and it is noticed from the minutes of last year's association with a church membership of 3,853 the Sunday schools reported an attendance of only 1,712. Of this number in Sunday school it cannot be reasonably supposed that more than half the number—856—are church members, which would leave of the 3,583 members of Baptist churches 2,997 out of the Sunday school.

As long as such a condition as this exists there is great need of work among the Baptists of this county. Are we equal to the work?

Last year a motion was adopted requesting that all the Sunday schools in the county take up a collection on the first Sunday in each month for the Orphan's Home, and we regret to report that this request has been complied with on the part of very few of the schools.

W. D. SNOW.
J. S. MORRIS.
J. M. HENDON. } Committee.

Report discussed by W. D. Snow, T. W. Ayers, C. B. Hammett, L. F. Greer, T. R. Nisbet, and adopted.

22. Report on State Missions was read by T. W. Ayers, and laid on the table until the report on Foreign Missions was read.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The State Board of Missions made a most excellent report to the last State Convention, showing receipts considerably above the average, going even above 1895, the "Centennial Year," and showing work that was better than for the previous year, though not so many men were employed. Several Associations were reported as pledged to co-operate, which had not been in sympathy before, and the evangelists and other field workers were full of good cheer and hopefulness. Contributions were received from new sources, and special mention is made of the work of the women, who had raised during the year, for all purposes, \$7,370.

Upon its recommendation, the work of ministerial education was entrusted to a board created especially for the purpose, which the Convention located at East Lake.

The work of the three colored brethren, whose services are paid for by several boards jointly, is commended as noble, and the brethren as worthy of confidence and support. Forty-four institutes for colored ministers were held during the year, and six were held for white ministers, as a beginning. The corresponding secretary expressed the opinion that such work would be a great factor in the general uplift of the people.

The work of the two evangelists was heartily endorsed. Many Associations have organized for the work and given hearty and liberal pledges. The two evangelists collected on their fields more than their salaries. An enlargement of the work has been made since the Convention, and other evangelists added to the number engaged.

The Board employed last year 23 men, who gave 5,035 days of service, delivered 2,088 sermons (about 90 each), and 828 addresses, constituted three churches, baptized 253 persons, organized 12 Sunday-schools, 7 ladies' societies, and 12 prayer meetings; collected \$4,405 for building meeting houses, and \$2,509 for missions, ministerial education and Orphans' Home.

Naturally the question arises, how much of all that did our Association do? How much do we sympathize with such work? The minutes answer and tell us, that sixteen churches out of thirty-nine gave \$109, which is about 1 per cent. of the \$10,000 raised in the State for this Board. On a simple numerical basis we ought to have given \$300, as we number 3 per cent. of the Baptists of Alabama. On a basis of ability and information and gratitude, we ought to give much more.

The argument for State Missions is twofold, narrow and broad. It is Home Missions indeed, as we get a direct benefit in our own town, in our own county, in our own State; it is broad and world-wide in that the State Board of Missions furnishes the machinery for the collection of funds, and to a large extent imparts information regarding the Home and Foreign Boards. Where its evangelists and workers go they talk for other interests more than for their own. But this Missionary Association ought not to need argument—it should only ask for facts; and the need of money being stated, it ought to come freely, quickly and largely.

W.M. A. DAVIS, Chairman.

23. Association adjourned, to hear the Missionary sermon by Rev. A. E. Burnes, from the text, Psalms 25, 12: "What man is he that feareth the Lord? Him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose."

Public collection \$14.48.

24. Report on Foreign Missions was read by C. B. Hammett, and laid on the table, to be discussed with the other two reports on Missions:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Like every other great and continuous movement, that of Foreign Missions is not without its seasons of prosperity and adversity. According to reliable statistics since the year 1894, there has been a greater interest shown in the cause of missions than in any other like period of the world's history; yet there seems to be a falling off, especially in this our own State, as well as elsewhere. For instance, the average expense of our Foreign Board is about \$9,000 per month. The receipts for the last month were only \$2,171.80, and that of Alabama only \$24.90. Brethren, I beg you in the name of our Master, wake up to this important question, and let us talk, act and practice missions.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. HAMMETT,

25. Rev. A. E. Burnes, by request, addressed the Association on the work of the State Board of Missions.

26. After prayer by Rev. W. M. Hall, Association adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

27. 2:30—Devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator, reading one hundred and forty-fifth Psalm; prayer by Rev. G. S. Anderson.

Association called to order by the Moderator, stating that the three reports on Missions were now before the Association.

The reports were discussed by J. C. Wright, W. B. Snow, C. B. Hammett, W. S. Griffin, L. F. Greer, G. S. Anderson, and were adopted.

28. Report on Ministerial Education was read by J. H. Foster, Jr., and was laid on the table until the report on General Education could be read.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

In presenting this report we would insist, first upon the education that comes from God.

It is to be feared that sometimes we fail to realize the sacredness attaching to the office of Christ's minister and feel that gifts alone are to be considered in setting apart young men to this great work.

It is not a pursuit upon the level with other professions. It is an office of divine appointment and we protest that though young men may have the natural gifts of Tuelon or Paul or Spurgeon or Broadus we have no right to ordain them unless the sacred conviction is in some way wrought in their hearts that they are called of God, and that "woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." Then they will appreciate the sublime dignity of God's calling, and will be impressed with the solemnity of their sacred relation to God as his spokesmen and representatives.

No other wordly agency can take the place of Christ's minister.

No power of civilization or press or sword can ever accomplish these moral wonders which are brought about when a man clothed with God's power stands up and pleads with beating heart and living voice that men will be reconciled to God.

When we have been convinced that a man is called of God we should begin at once to consider his preparation for this work. The demands upon the ministry are by no means light today. A German writer says: "This is an age of unsolved problems."

The world looks to the ministry for their solution.

We are not today to combat the brutal infidelity of Voltaire and Paine. The devil has changed his tactics, and today the name of religion is used to conjure with and the Arch Fiend has labeled some of the broadest lies "Christianity."

We need men who are taught to think—broad minded as well as large hearted men. The ministry must think. Platitudes are out of date.

Men loath broth from the pulpit. The demand is for those

who can combat the false theories of life, and with heart and mind to unmask the evils of the day and send home truths by quick, earnest, warm thought and application. Condensation is necessary. The Bible is full of short, pithy sermons.

It records one long one, but that killed a man. Acuteness, mental powers is necessary to proper condensation. We need training in manner of thinking.

For this special preparation special schools are needed.

In Alabama, Howard College offers literary advantages equal to those of any other institution, and for Baptist preachers a beginning in theological training which they can get no where else in the State.

We would urge young men when they have completed the course at the Howard to attend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. It is the peer of any school for the prophets in the world today.

Many young men are called to the ministry who have no means to secure an education. It is the duty of the churches to help them discreetly.

We would not compromise their manhood. We would not cultivate in them the feeling of dependence. Send the money to the State Board for Ministerial Education. Let them lend it to the students until they are prepared for active work, when they can soon return it.

We would urge increased liberality for Ministerial Education and increased prayerfulness for those called of God that they may be filled with power in the inner man.

Respectfully,

J. H. FOSTER, JR.

29. Report on General Education was read by Dr. B. D. Williams:

REPORT ON GENERAL EDUCATION.

The word *edutate* is derived from the Latin word *ducere*: *e*, out—and *ducere*, to lead. In its full comprehension, it means: To lead out the mental powers and faculties into the broad fields of intellectual research; to store the mind and enlighten the understanding with such truths and principles as go to make up a noble character; to properly regulate the heart and moral impulses of the being, so as to bring them into sweet harmony with the doctrines of the blessed Redeemer; to combine with intellectual and ethical training, physical and industrial development and instruction; in a word, to fit and prepare the individual for activity and usefulness in life, the elevation of humanity, and the glory of God. While this definition transcends the abstract, it is accepted in all of its mighty comprehensiveness

by the Protestant Christian denominations of the world, and it forms the basis of an overwhelming preponderance of the wonderful educational efforts of this enlightened age.

Many localities of our State are blessed with institutions of learning of a high order, affording excellent facilities at very low cost. We, as a county and association, are especially favored in this respect. The educational appropriations of the State, meagre as they are, enable schools, free of tuition, to be run for a few months in the year, in every hamlet and community. It is within the reach of even the poorest to secure at least a limited education, and we will hail the day when largely increased facilities will be provided for the education of the masses, when, instead of occupying the fourth place from the bottom of the list of States and Territories in illiteracy, with 41 per cent. of our population who cannot read and write, our beloved commonwealth shall stand the proud peer of the most enlightened and advanced of these United States.

We endorse that system of education which embraces the three h's—head, hand, heart. Our great denomination has, from time immemorial, gone on record as favoring liberal education of both the sexes impartially; and this Association, the youthful offspring of the grand old Coosa River, full of years and saintly history and memories, would reiterate to the membership of the churches composing it, to the people of our beloved Southland, and to the world, its unfaltering approval and hearty endorsement of liberal education, embracing a thorough training of the physical, intellectual and moral energies of the rising generations. Yea, more, we would seriously urge upon our people the vital necessity of availing themselves of the very best institutions their means can command for the education of their sons and daughters, giving the preference, of course, to home institutions of our faith. We believe that you need not go beyond the borders of your own beloved Alabama for first class institutions of learning, nor without the pale of your own denomination in search of adequate and comprehensive training for the most ambitious of your sons and daughters.

Under the control and fostering care of the Baptist State Convention, of which we form a part, are two institutions of learning—the Judson Female Institute, located at Marion, and Howard College, at East Lake—which have been for years past and are still the pride of Alabama Baptists. From the halls of the former year after year have gone forth hosts of young ladies, daughters of Baptists and of some who were not, to shed lustre upon their beloved Alma Mater, to sweeten and brighten countless lives, to adorn society, to sanctify and consecrate the home, to bless the State, and to lift this perverse old world back to God.

Since its organization in 1881, Howard College has steadily grown in the affections of the Baptists of this State, until fires, removals, speculative collapse, nor any other disaster is able to separate us from the love of the grand old conservatory of Baptist thought and teaching. Since 1849, the date of its first graduation, down to the present it has sent forth about 350 young men, armed with its diplomas, giving them an entree into all the avenues of useful and successful lives. Look over the roster of the good and true and successful men of this and other Southern States and you will find the names of the graduates of that noble institution.

It is the unquestioned duty of this and every other Baptist body in this State to rally to the support of these great institutions, from the considerations of denominational pride and progress; and, individually, it should be the wise policy of every Baptist, financially able, to place his sons or daughters under the training of these denominational schools.

General education is at once the hope and glory of a people. He is wisest who seeks wisdom; he is poorest who has it not. Education is a good thing: Baptist education, sanctified by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, is the best thing.

B. DUDLEY WILLIAMS, Chairman.

Discussed by Dr. B. D. Williams.

30. After prayer by J. C. Wright, the Association adjourned until 8:30 tomorrow.

31. Rev. J. A. Howard preached in Parker Memorial Church at 7:30, from the text, Math. 10:39: "He that findeth his life, shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for my sake, shall find it."

Rev. J. E. Barnard preached at the First Baptist Church, from the text Luke 13, 3.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

32. The Moderator read the one hundredth Psalm, and offered prayer. The Association was called to order, and the minutes of the previous day were read, corrected and approved.

33. A motion was made, and carried, that the public collection be equally divided between State, Home and Foreign Missions.

34. The Moderator stated that the two reports on

Education were now before the Association for discussion.

The reports were discussed by J. H. Foster, Jr., W. S. Griffin, C. C. Huckabee, J. S. Kelly, J. E. Barnard, J. A. Howard, A. D. Glass, Thos. L. Nisbet.

Both reports were adopted.

35. Rev. J. F. Sturdivant, D. D., the pastor of the First M. E. Church in Anniston, was introduced to the Association by the Moderator.

36. A motion was made, and carried, that all speeches be limited to five minutes each, except the chairmen of committees and the recognized representatives of the denominational interests.

37. The following motion was made, and adopted:

That we adopt Brother W. A. McCain as the beneficiary of this Association, in Howard College, for the next ensuing year.

38. The following pledges were made for Ministerial Education, to be paid January 1, 1898:

Angels Grove.....	will try	\$ 5 00
Antioch	will try	_____
Cane Creek.....	will try	5 00
Anniston First.....	pledge	10 00
Coldwater.....	will try	5 00
Duke.....	pledge	5 00
C. J. Wood.....	pledge	2 50
Iron City.....	will try	_____
Jacksonville.....	will try	_____
Mount Zion	will try	5 00
Oak Bowery.....	will try	_____
Ohatchie.....	will try	_____
Oxanna.....	will try	5 00
Oxford	will try	25 00
Parker Memorial.....	pledge	50 00
Piedmont	will try	_____
Rabbit Town—Ladies' Aid.....	pledge	5 00
Ten Island.....	pledge	1 00
Weavers	pledge	5 00
 Total.....		\$128 50

39. Association adjourned at 11 o'clock, to hear sermon by Rev. J. W. Stewart, from the text: First Peter, 4:10.

40. After sermon by J. W. Stewart, the Association was called to order, and the report on Orphans' Home was read by Abner Williams.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON "BAPTIST WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' HOME OF ALABAMA."

The first steps taken towards the establishment of the "Louise Short Baptist Widows' and Orphans' Home of Alabama" was in November, 1890, when Mrs. M. L. B. Woodson made known to the Baptist State Convention that she would give all her real estate for the maintenance of the institution.

The Home was temporarily located in Evergreen, January 16th, 1893; and March 10, 1893, in a small rented house, was opened to receive the first inmates. By November of that year, twenty-two orphan children were received, and the trustees decided to locate the Home permanently. After advertising for bids for a location, Evergreen was chosen, and property purchased, consisting of eighty acres of land lying on Main street, thirty of which is in cultivation, thirty in pasture and twenty in woods. The buildings were a ten-room brick house and three tenant houses. The purchase price of the property was \$5,000, which, with interest on deferred payments, amounted to \$5,400.33, all of which has been paid. Important improvements are now being made in the arrangement of the Home, by which there will be eleven new rooms added, and all the old ones renovated. Money is greatly needed to complete this work, and pay for food for the children.

Since the Home was started, there have been gathered into it 33 boys and 37 girls; and out of it have gone: By apprenticeship, 2 boys; returned to their people, 4 boys and 3 girls; by adoption, 10 boys and 13 girls; leaving in the Home August 10, 1897, 17 boys and 21 girls—all of whom were crowded in six unfinished rooms at that time, while balance of the house was unroofed to be repaired.

The children have enjoyed good health this year, and no death has ever occurred in the Home.

All that are old enough attend the Southwest Alabama Agricultural School, where no tuition is charged, but the matriculation and incidental fees amount to about \$5 to \$10 per year for each pupil. All attend Sunday-school and church. The current expenses amount to about \$6 per month for each child. The boys are taught to do farm work, and the girls do various kinds of house-work.

Children have been sent to the Home from nineteen counties in the State, as follows:

Barbour	3	Limestone.....	1
Bibb..	2	Marengo.....	4
Butler	3	Monroe.....	4
Chambers.....	1	Montgomery.....	2
Conecuh.....	2	Pike.....	2
Covington.....	8	Russell.....	1
Escambia	7	Talladega.....	8
Jefferson.....	8	Tallapoosa	2
Lee	3	Tuscaloosa	3
Walker	6		

This enterprise should enlist the sympathy, earnest prayers and liberal contributions of all our people; and if all the Baptist Sunday Schools in the State would make regular monthly contributions to its support, that would be educating the rising generation in the right direction, and would aid materially in sustaining this noble institution.

Respectfully submitted,

ABNER WILLIAMS,
NOAH STEPHENS, } Committee.
H. G. EARNEST,

September 8th, 1897.

Discussed by J. W. Stewart, Abner Williams, J. S. Morris, C. B. Hammett, T. W. Ayers.

Report adopted.

41. Report of Committee to prorate amount asked from the State Board of Missions, was read by J. S. Kelly.

REPORT ON CONTRIBUTIONS.

The State Board of Missions having failed to notify the Association the amount desired for the next year, your committee suggests the churches contribute the following amounts:

Anniston First.....	\$ 30 00	New Hopewell.....	10 00
Antioch.....	15 00	Ohatchie	20 00
Angels Grove.....	10 00	Oak Bowery.....	50 00
Boiling Springs.....	20 00	Oak Grove.....	10 00
Cane Creek.....	30 00	Oxford	200 00
Coldwater.....	20 00	Oxanna.....	10 00
Duke.....	50 00	Parker Memorial.....	600 00
Eulaton.....	10 00	Piedmont.....	100 00
Friendship.....	10 00	Pleasant Ridge.....	10 00
Hebron.....	40 00	Post Oak Springs.....	75 00
Harmony.....	100 00	Rabbit Town.....	30 00
Iron City.....	30 00	Sulphur Springs.....	40 00
Jacksonville.....	200 00	Ten Island.....	25 00
Mount Gilead.....	10 00	Trinity.....	10 00
Mount Olive.....	10 00	Weavers.....	50 00
Mount Zion.....	100 00	White's Gap.....	10 00
Nances Creek.....	10 00	Zion Hill.....	15 00
New Bethel.....	10 00	Ethelville	10 00
New Liberty.....	10 00	Plumb Springs.....	10 00

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. BELL.
J. S. KELLY. } Committee.
J. A. FERGUSON.

Report adopted.

42. Report on Woman's Work read by J. S. Kelly.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Woman's Missionary work is in the main accomplished by and reported through the Woman's Missionary Union; auxiliary to the Southern Baptist convention. It is presided over by a president, with one vice-president in each of the States comprising the Southern Baptist convention. The reports of the union, however, do not show all of woman's work, as there are many Ladies Aid and Missionary societies that haven't joined the Union, and do not report through it, but report direct to the boards, as through their churches, and hence the amounts of their contributions do not appear in the Union reports.

It appears to your committee that it would be well for all Ladies Aid and Missionary societies to join the Woman's Missionary Union, and report through the Union direct, that all may be informed of the full amount of work done by them.

Woman's Missionary societies have shown themselves to be powerful agencies for advancing the interests of the Southern Baptist convention. They contributed during the last conventional year for Home Missions \$502.47 cash, and boxes of clothing, etc., to the value of \$1,595.88, total \$2,098.35.

The minutes of the last Alabama Baptist State Convention, while they do not give the exact amount, state that the women have been liberal to the foreign board debt, and also to that of Howard College.

For this conventional year the Foreign Board asks of the ladies \$1,550, and the Home Board \$1,750.

Let us hope that these amounts will be raised and that Calhoun County Baptist Association will aid, and encourage woman's work in every way possible.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. KELLY, Chairman.

Report adopted.

43. Report of Committee on Bible and Colportage work was read by W. D. Snow.

REPORT ON BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE WORK.

We think this work of very great importance. By placing Bibles and good books in every family it will direct the minds of children, and perhaps older persons, in a religious channel, showing them their sinful nature and dependence on God.

Some word may make an impression on them and be the means of leading them to Christ. We therefore recommend that our Association should send a good man in the field to make a

thorough canvass and leave Bibles and good literature in every home that is not provided with it.

Respectfully submitted,
 W. S. GRIFFIN. } Committee.
 D. P. WILLIAMS. }

Report adopted.

44. The following were selected as delegates to the State Convention which meets at East Lake, Nov. 12th:

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

B. B. Nunnelly, W. S. Griffin, J. E. Barnard, W. D. Snow, J. S. Kelly, Geo. D. Harris, Jno. B. Ingram, J. C. Wright, E. T. Smyth, J. A. Scott.

45. J. E. Barnard was selected as a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and W. S. Griffin alternate.

46. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee has received in cash two hundred and fifty-four 47-100 dollars, for following purposes:

State Missions.....	\$69 49
Home Missions	64 87
Foreign Missions.....	61 02
Ministerial Education.....	2 35
Orphans' Home.....	7 69
Minutes.....	49 05
	—\$254 47

which sum has been handed to Treasurer.

WM. A. DAVIS,
 W. M. FRANKS,
 J. A. FERGUSON, } Committee.

Report adopted.

47.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

J. S. MORRIS, Treasurer,

In account with

CALHOUN COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Debit.

1896.

Sept. 11—Balance on hand as per last report.....\$232 46

1897.

Oct. 8—Received of Finance Committee..... 254 47

Total,..... \$486 93

Credit.

Oct. 5—Amount paid W. C. Bledsoe.....	\$166 31
Oct. 5—Amount paid J. W. Stewart.....	8 55
Oct. 5—Amount paid P. B. Brown.....	51 35
Oct. 5—Amount paid P. T. Hale, Howard.....	6 25
1897.	
Oct. 8—A. E. Burns, missions.....	189 53
Oct. 8—J. W. Stewart, orphans.....	7 69
Oct. 8—P. B. Brown.....	49 05
Oct. 8—J. A. Howard.....	2 35
	<u>\$481 08</u>

Balance on hand.....	\$ 5 85
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Of which there is for State missions.....	\$1 95
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Home missions.....	1 95
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Foreign missions.....	1 95
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Total,.....	\$5 85
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Respectfully,

JAS. MORRIS, Treasurer.

48. Report of Committee on Time and Place of next meeting:

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your Committee on Time and Place of holding next meeting of the Association, respectfully recommend that the next session be held with Harmony Church, commencing on Friday before the second Sunday in September, and continue for three days.

We nominate to preach the Introductory Sermon next year: Rev. B. B. Nunnelly, with Rev. Noah Stephens as alternate; to preach Missionary Sermon, Rev. Geo. D. Harris, with Rev. J. H. Foster, Jr., as alternate.

Report adopted.

49. A motion was made, and carried, instructing the clerk to have printed 600 copies of Minutes, and that any money remaining over, be appropriated by the clerk as his salary.

50. On motion, the clerk was instructed to leave out of Minutes constitution and rules of decorum.

51. The Moderator appointed the following standing committees, to report at the next session of the Association:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following Standing Committees were appointed by the Moderator, to report at the next session of the Association:

State Missions—A. D. Glass, W. S. Griffin, J. A. Ferguson.

Home Missions—J. A. Scott, T. L. Nisbett, E. M. Reid.

Foreign Missions—J. E. Barnard, B. W. Duke, R. C. Usry.

Ministerial Education—J. C. Wright, W. F. McCain, D. F. Weaver.

Denominational Education—J. H. Foster, Jr., C. J. Wood, J. T. White.

Temperance—George D. Harris, H. L. Johnson, M. E. Wilkins.

Sunday Schools—D. C. Cooper, L. F. Greer, C. H. Leslie.

Evangelization Colored People—W. A. Davis, James Crook, E. S. Lipscomb.

Periodicals and Literature—T. W. Ayers, J. S. Kelly, Wesley Probst.

Woman's Work—T. G. Bush, C. B. Hammett, J. H. Walters.

Orphans' Home—W. M. Franks, D. F. Weaver, J. C. Hollingsworth.

State of Religion—B. B. Nunnelly, Noah Stephens, A. H. Mynatt.

B. Y. P. U.—B. D. Williams, A. L. Smith, G. G. Britton.

52. Rev. W. S. Griffin, as chairman of committee to receive subscriptions to aid young Brother Samuel Woodruff in his education, reported that he had received for and paid to Brother Woodruff \$50.00.

53. Report of Committee on State of Religion in the Churches was read by C. J. Wood:

Report adopted.

54. The following resolution of thanks was offered, and unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the members of the Parker Memorial and First Churches of Anniston, for their kind hospitality in entertaining the messengers and visitors to this Association; to the Oxford Lake Line for giving reduced rates to those coming to the Association over its line; to The Hot Blast for the splendid daily report which it has given of the proceedings of the Association; to the Moderator for the able manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the Association; and to the Clerk for the accurate record which he has kept of the proceedings.

55. A motion was made, and carried, that the churches be requested to send delegates to the next meeting of the Association, that will attend the Association and remain until its close.

56. The closing hymn was sung, and the parting hand given; and after prayer by Rev. J. E. Barnard, the Association adjourned—to meet with Harmony Baptist Church, Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1898.

P. B. BROWN,
Clerk.

ABNER WILLIAMS,
Moderator.

MINUTES
OF THE
SECOND ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
Woman's Missionary Union
OF THE
CALHOUN COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION convened in the lecture room of Parker Memorial Baptist Church, Anniston, Alabama, at 9 o'clock, October 7, 1897.

Mrs. O. M. Reynolds, Vice-President, being absent, Mrs. R. L. McCalley presided.

After singing "Stand up, stand up for Jesus," Mrs. McCalley read the First Psalm, and Rev. C. B. Hammett led in prayer.

Rev. A. E. Burnes then gave a talk on Missions.

Hymn, "I love to tell the story."

Mrs. McCalley read a letter from Miss Fannie E. Heck, President "Woman's Missionary Union."

Reading of minutes and roll call of Societies, by Miss Dora Crook, of Jacksonville, Secretary.

Mrs. Stratton's report of Central Committee was read by Mrs. L. T. Smith.

A talk, by Mrs. J. F. M. Davis, of Choccolocco, on "Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention," with an earnest appeal for woman's work.

A reading, "The New Declaration of Independence," by Mrs. P. M. Rowland.

A talk on Miss Kelley, our Missionary to China, was given by Mrs. P. B. Brown.

Hymn, "I gave my life for Thee."

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Union reassembled at 2 o'clock. Hymn, "Jesus, lover of my soul." Prayer by Rev. C. B. Hammett.

Talks on "Sunbeams," by Mrs. McCalley, Mrs. O. E. Smith, Mrs. P. B. Brown, and Mrs. Maggie Green of Jacksonville.

REPORTS FROM SOCIETIES.

Jacksonville	\$ 90 00
Alexandria	84 00
Harmony	27 50
Woman's Missionary Society, Parker Memorial	219 34
 Total	\$420 84

A talk on "Frontier Boxes," by Mrs. O. E. Smith.

Leaflet, "Experience of Rev. A. J. Holt," read by Mrs. T. G. Bush.

Hymn, "He leadeth me."

Short talks, led by Mrs. J. F. M. Davis, on woman's work.

Leaflet, "The Master's Voice," read by Mrs. Wood, of Alexandria.

A talk by Rev. C. B. Hammett, in behalf of the Orphan's Home.

On motion of Mrs. J. F. M. Davis, it was decided to have these minutes put in the Minutes of the Association; and that the second day of the Association be "Woman's Day."

Closing hymn, "God be with you till we meet again."

MRS. O. M. REYNOLDS,

Vice-President.

MISS DORA CROOK,

Secretary.

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						Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Letter.	Excision.	Erasure.	Death.	Present Membership.							
													Officers and Teachers	Educators						
Anniston—First...	Calhoun...	W. S. Griffin...	C. B. Cooper...	Anniston...	258	5	28	...	18	2	106	1	164	17	150	E. E. Weathers, Anniston...	2, 3, 4	Yes		
Autioch....	" "	D. C. Robinett...	J. C. Hollingsworth...	Anniston...	103	4	1	8	3	...	...	...	97	4	28	J. C. Hollingsworth, Anniston...	3	Yes	
Angels Grove...	" "	H. L. Johnston...	D. B. Johnson...	T. J. Jones...	56	3	...	2	...	...	1	1	56	6	25	Wheeler Dilard, Tampa...	4	Yes	
Boiling Springs...	" "	W. H. Hall...	Francis...	Francis...	69	11	10	...	...	...	6	...	84	5	45	T. J. Jones, Francis...	3	Yes	
Cane Creek...	" "	B. B. Nunnally...	J. A. Furguson...	Alexandria...	70	13	12	4	8	1	1	1	82	5	40	W. M. Grogan, Bynum...	3	Yes		
Coldwater...	" "	W. F. McCain...	T. F. Teague...	Bynum...	86	12	3	2	9	1	1	1	92	5	40	D. M. Murphree, Eulaton...	2	Yes		
Duke...	" "	W. Y. Adams...	W. J. Duke...	Duke...	63	4	1	...	4	1	1	1	62	7	49	E. Aiken, Francis...	4	No	Yes	
Ethelville...	" "	H. L. Nisbet...	J. F. Little...	Francis...	31	11	3	8	...	...	...	...	37	7	50	J. W. Nisbet, Eulaton...	1	No	Yes
Eulaton...	" "	W. F. McCain...	J. C. Hinds...	Eulaton...	52	8	1	1	4	...	...	...	56	7	50	D. M. Murphree, Eulaton...	1	No	Yes
Friendship...	" "	S. C. Woodruff...	J. W. Nisbet...	Jacksonville...	52	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	39	10	113	L. F. Greer, DeArmanville...	2, 3	Yes	Yes
Harmony...	" "	J. A. Scott...	W. L. Rhodes...	Choccolocco...	227	21	7	11	3	...	2	...	239	10	113	L. F. Greer, DeArmanville...	1	No	Yes	
Hebron...	" "	J. E. Smith...	B. H. Morton...	Alexandria...	124	7	6	14	...	...	1	122	54	8	25	R. F. Jones, Iron City...	4	No	Yes
Iron City...	" "	J. A. Scott...	H. E. Canada...	Iron City...	53	6	3	5	1	...	2	...	132	6	68	Moses Crook, Jacksonville...	2, 4	No	No	
Jacksonville...	" "	G. D. Harris...	E. J. Ward...	Jacksonville...	139	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	132	4	21	W. H. C. Burrell, Mack...	1	No	Yes
Mount Gilead...	" "	A. J. West...	W. H. C. Burrell...	Mack...	116	...	2	12	2	29	2	2	73	42	42	W. H. C. Burrell, Mack...	2	Yes		
Mount Olive...	" "	D. C. Robinett...	E. F. Johnson...	Jacksonville...	46	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	151	5	47	J. B. H. Lumpkin, Alexandria...	1	Yes	
Mount Zion...	" "	G. D. Harris...	J. B. H. Lumpkin...	Alexandria...	165	18	6	7	30	1	1	1	48	4	42	J. B. H. Lumpkin, Alexandria...	1	Yes		
Nances Creek...	" "	H. L. Johnston...	J. A. Borden...	Nances Creek...	51	1	5	2	7	...	...	...	67	4	42	J. B. H. Lumpkin, Nances Creek...	1	Yes	
New Bethel...	" "	A. F. Allen...	R. P. Heaton...	Bera...	72	9	1	1	14	1	1	1	67	6	50	R. P. Heaton, Bera...	4	Yes		
New Hopewell...	" "	J. C. Holden...	Luther Sexton...	Allsup...	48	2	2	4	...	...	1	1	47	6	76	F. Davis, Allsup...	3	Yes	
New Liberty...	" "	J. C. Holden...	J. A. Stephens...	Colvin's Gap...	92	2	1	8	2	2	85	168	7	40	J. R. Sisson, Ohatchie...	1	Yes	
Oak Bowery...	" "	B. B. Nunnally...	W. P. Collins...	Ohatchie...	139	26	8	5	1	1	66	37	5	35	C. A. Hollingsworth, Mink...	3	Yes	
Oak Grove...	" "	G. C. Jenkins...	C. H. Mintz...	Reads...	69	...	2	4	...	...	1	1	52	9	67	G. G. Britton, Anniston...	1	Yes	
Ohatchie...	" "	H. L. Johnston...	H. T. Boozer...	Mink...	43	4	...	2	8	...	...	...	171	16	160	D. C. Cooper, Oxford...	Every	Yes	
Oxanna...	" "	W. S. Griffin...	G. G. Britton...	Anniston...	44	4	13	9	...	...	...	...	321	25	360	T. W. Ayers, Anniston...	Every	Yes	
Oxford...	" "	J. E. Barnard...	T. M. Draper...	Oxford...	181	2	12	1	19	4	2	2	155	6	75	Z. W. Woodruff, Piedmont...	2 and 4	Yes		
Parker Memorial...	" "	J. H. Foster, Jr...	W. A. Davis...	Anniston...	291	29	27	23	...	1	2	1	170	52	52	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	3	Yes		
Piedmont...	" "	G. D. Harris...	E. D. McClelen...	Piedmont...	142	12	6	4	...	...	1	1	170	52	52	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	1	Yes	
Piedmont Springs...	" "	Thos. Blair...	C. J. Wells...	Piedmont...	40	...	...	6	4	1	1	1	170	52	52	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	2	Yes	
Pleasant Ridge...	" "	W. J. Campbell...	J. W. Harris...	Choccolocco...	56	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	170	52	52	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	4	Yes	
Plumb Springs...	Talladega...	Noah Stephens...	J. W. Coley...	McFall...	47	18	17	4	2	1	1	1	170	52	52	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	3	Yes		
Post Oak Springs...	Calhoun...	B. B. Nunnally...	J. T. Broughton...	Alexandria...	186	20	5	10	...	...	2	2	199	6	60	J. F. Broughton, Alexandria...	2	Yes	
Rabbit Town...	" "	C. B. Hammett...	R. P. DeFreeze...	Jenkins...	133	...	1	1	20	4	...	...	111	6	50	J. D. Farmer, Jenkins...	2	Yes	
Sulphur Springs...	" "	D. C. Robinett...	L. J. Finley...	Bruner...	180	1	1	10	...	1	1	1	170	52	52	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	4	Yes		
Ten Island...	" "	Noah Stephens...	W. W. Gulledge...	Ohatchie...	51	4	...	1	...	...	2	2	52	52	52	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	3	Yes	
Trinity...	" "	J. D. Johnson...	T. C. Slaughter...	Oxford...	56	6	3	10	...	...	...	...	55	55	55	J. W. Davis, Piedmont...	1	Yes	
Weavers...	" "	G. D. Harris...	T. L. Weaver...	Weavers...	102	14	2	1	7	...	...	...	112	5	40	D. F. Weaver, Weavers...	4	Yes	
White's Gap...	" "	Sam C. Woodruff...	C. J. Cott...	Jacksonville...	76	1	3	8	9	1	1	1	62	3	55	C. J. Scott, Jacksonville...	3	Yes		
Zion Hill...	" "	Sam C. Woodruff...	A. N. Ward...	White Plains...	44	...	1	5	...	...	1	1	39	4	37	A. N. Ward, White Plains...	3	Yes	
TOTALS...						3853	278	192	8	299	30	216	32	3760	208	1931				

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF CALHOUN COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, FOR YEAR 1897.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONS.				EDUCATION.			Orphan's Home.	Minutes.	HOME EXPENSES.			TOTAL.	Women's, Young People's, Children's Societies.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			Value of Property.	
	State,	Home.	Foreign.	Church Buildings.	Ministerial.	Howard College.	Judson Institute.			Pastor's Salary.	Repairs, Fuel, Food, Etc.	Missions.		Missions.	Education.	Home Expenses.	Orphan's Home.	Missions.	School Expenses.	Orphan's Home.	
Anniston—First.....	\$ 7 34	\$ 4 33	\$ 2 99						\$ 1 50	\$ 144 16	\$ 73 25	\$ 233 57						\$ 15 00	\$ 46 80		\$ 3,500 00
Angels Grove.....	1 00	2 00	85						1 05			4 90									200
Antioch.....	3 25								1 25	25 00		29 50									450 00
Boiling Springs.....	58	58	59						1 00			2 75									250 00
Cane Creek.....	4 73	4 73							1 00		10 46	\$ 2 50									300 00
Coldwater.....	2 00	1 00	1 00						\$ 4 29	75	65 00	2 00	76 04								400 00
Duke.....	3 00	3 00	3 00						1 50		10 50										250 00
Ethelville.....	1 53								50	22 55	2 45	27 22									250 00
Eulaton.....	54	54	54						50	18 10	3 45	33 05									200 00
Friendship.....	1 67	1 67	1 66						2 50	200 00	63 19	295 99									175 00
Harmony.....	10 44	9 93	9 93						1 00		40 00	42 00									1,000 00
Hebron.....		1 00							1 00			6 00									600 00
Iron City.....	1 67	1 66	1 67						15 67	2 00		2 85	77 50								500 00
Jacksonville.....	15 00	16 51	20 00						50		26 10	29 96									2,500 00
Mount Gilead.....	70	1 66	1 00						1 00			1 00									300 00
Mount Olive.....									2 00		22 75		\$ 20 00		\$ 5 00	38 00	15 00	8 00			200 00
Mount Zion.....	6 91	6 92	6 92						1 25		6 75										2,000 00
Nances Creek.....	2 00	1 50	2 00						62	1 00		2 12									300 00
New Bethel.....		50							1 10		1 10										300 00
New Hopewell.....									1 50		1 50										150 00
New Liberty.....									1 50		6 00										150 00
Oak Bowery.....	1 50	1 50	1 50						75		75										1,000 00
Oak Grove.....									65		5 03										200 00
Ohatchie.....	1 46	1 46	1 46						1 00	49 00	25 00	81 73									150 00
Oxanna.....	2 24	2 25	2 24						4 00	180 12	74 32	328 44	36 71	8 50	20 52	14 38					1,500 00
Oxford.....	30 75	10 25	13 00	\$16 00					5 00	1,335 00	1,671 65	4,169 63	245 45	10 00	413 98	34 75					4,000 00
Parker Memorial.....	68 32	17 00	158 76	\$73 90	305 00	\$535 00			2 50		18 80										75,000 00
Piedmont.....	5 46	5 42	5 42						65	20 00		22 95									1,000 00
Piedmont Springs.....		2 30							1 25		1 25										175 00
Pleasant Ridge.....									50		1 00										400 00
Plumb Springs.....		50							1 50		4 14										150 00
Post Oak Springs.....		2 64							1 00	137 00	13 00	164 58	1 62		41 61			6 16			500 00
Rabbit Town.....	3 58	5 00	5 00						1 35		1 35										300 00
Sulphur Springs.....									1 45	75											300 00
Ten Island.....		1 05							1 00		34 00	38 15									500 00
Trinity.....			3 15						1 50			10 60									100 00
Weavers.....	2 25	2 25	2 25		2 35				50		50		2 00		2 00	5 13					1,000 00
White's Gap.....		1 50							50		15 50										250 00
Zion Hill.....	3 75	3 75	7 50						50		14 48										400 00
Public Collection.....	4 82	4 83	4 83																		
TOTALS.....	\$180 23	\$120 76	\$261 99	\$16 00	\$76 25	\$316 47	\$535 00	\$20 03	\$50 40	\$2,195 93	\$2,031 26	\$5,806 32	\$286 28	\$38 50	\$434 50	\$97 74	\$71 46	\$300 83	\$51 05	\$100,900 00	

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